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Municipalities planning for future progress



MAPPING OUT THE FUTURE - County of St. Paul Division 2 Coun. Kevin Wirsta and county resident Jonny Nielsen point out areas of concern to County Planning and Development Officer Krystle Fedoretz, while in the background, area resident Marvin Bjornstad discusses potential population growth in the county and town with Aaron Bombeck of ISL Engineering and Land Services.

VICKI BROOKER
Review Staff

The Towns of Elk Point and St. Paul, the County of St. Paul and the Summer Village of Horseshoe Bay have spent the past three months in the beginning phase of a lengthy process that will see the existing Intermunicipal Development Plans (IDPs) for the Town of Elk Point and the County and the Town of St. Paul and the County updated and a new IDP prepared for the Summer Village of Horseshoe Bay and the County, as well as a Municipal Development Plan (MDP) for the summer village, which will also have its Land Use Bylaw updated.

An Intermunicipal Development Plan is a long-term strategic plan between two or more municipalities that is required under the Municipal Government Act and which addresses future land use and development in the area, provision of transportation systems and intermunicipal infrastructure and coordination of intermunicipal programs, as well as environmental matters in the area. The lengthy process is being coordinated by ISL Engineering and Land Services.

The initial phase, involving background research into existing documents, reports and conditions, is now nearing completion and open houses were held in Elk Point and St. Paul last week where municipal councils, administration, residents, business owners and community stakeholder groups were asked for their input on how each municipality should grow. A third open house is scheduled for this week in St. Paul, focusing on the rural area.

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RCMP, RCW happy with Rural Crime Reduction Unit

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For St. Paul RCMP's new Detachment Commander, SSgt Corey Blize, attending the Greater Lakeland Rural Crime Watch (GLRCW) meeting at Elk Point Elementary School was a little bit of homecoming. The 17-year RCMP veteran told the group, which included some familiar faces, "I went to school here, and I graduated from F. G. Miller."

Blize said he had "always done crime reduction, and now I'm focusing on it. (Alberta RCMP) got \$10 million to focus on it." St. Paul is the headquarters for one of the Rural Crime Reduction Units designed to target repeat offenders who commit many of the rural crimes, he noted. Headed up by Sgt. James Morton, the unit includes a corporal, six officers and a criminal intelligence

analyst, as well as support staff, and will be available to 27 detachments to track down the offenders.

Another change, he noted, is the Edmonton-based call-back unit that will be dealing with minor crimes, "such as a tipped garden gnome. It will be upsetting for those who have the radishes stolen out of their garden, but it will get the information into the system so analysts can determine crime patterns."

The RCMP will also have a squad of support staff in Edmonton to do data entry, which Blize says, "gets the members out on the road instead of writing reports. Extra support staff could also put the court packages together. It all comes down to money." Client Services has asked him to develop the support staff unit, which he feels will prove "cheaper than us. (Support staff) don't need cars and guns."

There has also been some talk about

additional crown prosecutors, "but there will still be issues with the shortage of facilities and judges," he noted.

Asked for his thoughts on the legalization of cannabis and the reduction of the legal blood alcohol limits, Blize said the limit of .05 "has always been there, but the Criminal Code limit is .08. We have plans in place for the driving part, there's a saliva test for cannabis. We're waiting for the federal legislation; it depends on a lot of factors. As it stands, it could go to blood tests. Provincially, there is zero tolerance and an automatic suspension for crack cocaine and heroin. What the courts will do with it, we are yet to see."

Elk Point RCMP Sgt. Terry Hyggen has seen the Rural Crime Reduction Unit in action. "We were able to get the program started here in the fall, it turned out really well that they are able to focus on repeat offenders. They were

out again more recently and tracked down four real problem people involved in break-and-enters and thefts. The CRU has been extremely successful." Hyggen is also familiar with the data centre, he said, which is being spearheaded by his predecessor in Elk Point, Sgt. Barry LaRocque, and said it is a way to "work smarter, not harder."

An even more recent crime saw a local business lose the batteries from their trucks and have other property stolen, "but we had the suspect caught in 24 hours. With these crime suppression measures, we've seen success." While the detachment continues to focus on high-risk individuals, but Hyggen said, "We still want to hear about smaller issues." He also wanted to dispel a rumour that surveillance camera evidence doesn't work in court, he said. "It does work, and we do use it, the rumour is wrong."

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Young performers to rewrite Arthurian legend in Monty Python's 'Spamalot'

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Review Staff



KNIGHTS IN TRAINING - Robin, played by Sage Hardcastle, Bedevere (Kylie Young), Galahad (Jove Boorse), King Arthur (Andrew Richer), Patsy (Lauren Smith) and Lancelot (Zxayven Pelech), prepare for their legendary search for the elusive Holy Grail.

RCMP

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As for completion of the new detachment, Hyggen said, "They're shooting for June, I think July." Elk Point RCMP will also have an office in the new administration building at Fishing Lake.

Fish and Wildlife officer Duane Fleming reported seeing "a few dead moose and deer," probably from a lack of food during the long winter. Moose are suffering from ticks, which weaken them, but with the cold weather, when the ticks fall off into the snow, they die, rather than reproducing, so that could be less of a problem next year.

The department will be reorganized, "probably next year, with more officers in Vermilion and Smoky Lake, and we will do more sharing of manpower." The new format fishing regulations "have a lot of mistakes. There will be sheets of corrections coming out with them," he noted.

GLRCW past president Levina Ewasiuk reported on the provincial rural crime watch AGM in Lacombe, which had the theme, "Safe at Home in Rural Alberta" and featured speakers who work on crime prevention in their own areas. Rural crime was seen to be a symptom of other issues. Attendees were reminded to lock their gates and doors and to lock up valuables, she said, as well as being a good neighbour. "Relationships are really powerful." More details are available on the provincial rural crime watch website.

Lisa Warawa reported on the Stoney Lake crime watch initiative, which has 50 members linked by a HangOut app, and said she has started a second group

in the Armistice area, with eight members so far. The original group was started "after we had an incident at our house. Now the neighbours can be aware of these situations and can help." In addition to the Stoney Lake Crime Watch, the members have also set up a Stoney Lake Emergency app. "Each app can hold 150 people. You can send a picture of a suspicious vehicle, you can create awareness, it puts the puzzle together. All you need is a SmartPhone." The group is also ordering stop signs for their gateways to show that they are members and create awareness.

"It's a community, geographic-based thing," Darrell May added. The Rural Crime Watch has the potential for lobbying, this is a very simple grassroots thing in the local community that makes people feel comfortable, secure, protected and connected."

The local groups drew praise from GLRCW vice president Jonny Nielsen, who said it was "an awesome idea," and from Ewasiuk, who said, "It's perfect, every neighbourhood needs to have their own neighbourhood watch."

Sgt Hyggen also felt it was a good move, but cautioned, "When you call 911, let your group know so they don't call too. It's not a new concept, it's using new technology to our advantage."

GLRCW will also gain a new means of communication in the near future, after approving a motion to do fan-outs on the County or St. Paul system.

Some members may also head to the Alberta legislature on April 30, to hear the UCP grill the Justice Minister regarding rural crime.

The group also agreed to once again sponsor the RCMP Road Race on May 7.

There's been a whole lot of painting, hammering, stitching and rehearsing going on at Elk Point Arts and Leisure Centre in recent weeks, as the Elk Point Theatre Project family prepares for this week's opening performances of Monty Python's Spamalot.

Billed as 'the Young @ Part Edition' of the comedy spoof, this year's production by the extracurricular theatre arts program directed and choreographed by Jesska Clarke involves children and teens in a program that hones their performing and social skills, and their families in everything from building props and scenery to sewing costumes and preparing the buffet meals for all four shows.

A cast of 11, some of them playing up to three separate roles, have been rehearsing their songs, lines and dance moves since late September, and are now ready to entertain Elk Point and surrounding areas with this rewrite of King Arthur and the Knights of the Round Table and the search for the Holy Grail. It's a little bit irreverent and a whole lot of funny, in classic Monty Python tradition.

This is the fourth annual production for the Theatre Project, which presented 'The Little Mermaid' in 2015, 'Annie Jr.' in 2016 and 'The Wizard of Oz' in 2017, some of the performers taking part in all four shows.

This year's show is dedicated to the memory of Jody Lecopoy, one of the parents instrumental in preparations for last year's production, and who lost his life in a fatal collision a few weeks later.

'Spamalot' hits the stage on Saturdays, April 28 and May 5 at 7 p.m. and Sundays, April 29 and May 6 at 1 p.m. Tickets, priced at \$30 with or \$10 without the buffet meal, are available at Knotty Boyz and Elk Point Realty in Elk Point, St. Paul Eyecare in St. Paul and by phone at 780-645-8236.

Planning future

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Future phases involving preparation, engagement and finalization should be completed within the next 13 months.

One display at Thursday's open house in Elk Point showed the planning hierarchy, which starts with the Municipal Government Act and the Alberta Land Stewardship Act, and funnels down through the IDPs, MDPs, area structure plans and outline plans, all of which pertain to planning and policy, before moving on to implementation mechanisms such as land use bylaws, subdivision and development. Other displays showed projections of population growth for both the town and county over the next 50 years, and the perceived effect on land use, transportation and environment.

A huge map of Elk Point and surrounding area was front and centre, and County Planning and Development Officer Krystle Fedoretz was standing by with a stock of multi-colored markers and labels to gather input from the visitors, who pointed out environmentally sensitive areas such as wetlands, areas which could not be developed because of existing factors, and areas that they felt were best suited for the community's growth.

Approximately 15 area residents attended the open house.

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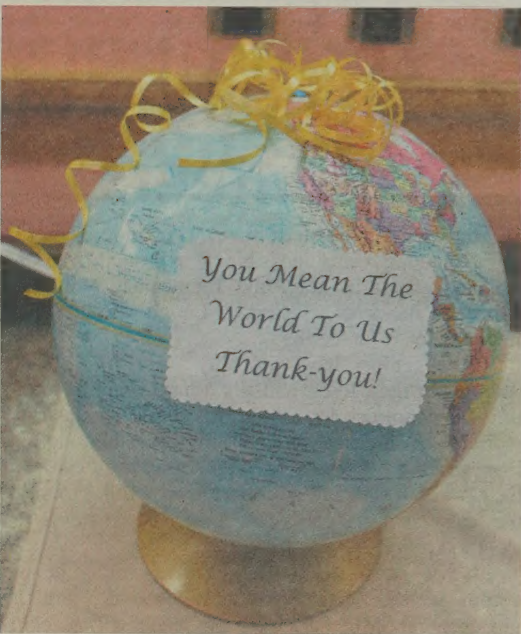
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Among the volunteers are the group at left, who entertain the residents with music all year round, and some of the residents (bottom left) who also pitch in to help fellow residents enjoy their days.

Diane Hyslop and Vicki Brooker photos



County crews coping with spring snow melt

JANICE HUSER
Review Contributor

Spring has officially arrived in the County of St. Paul and public works staff members were busy throughout the past week and weekend ensuring melting snow continued to flow properly.

The county had four steamers working over the weekend, and smaller equipment was out moving snow to help water drain in the ditches, said CAO Sheila Kitz.

"In addition, the staff also have water pumps in operation to move water from one area to another where we need to," she explained.

Residents that are having issues with flooding can call the County Public Works shop to get their issues added to what is sure to be a growing list.

"Our staff will be inspecting the areas of concern called in and evaluating, prioritizing based on severity of the issues, taking into account the risk to county and residential infrastructure," said Kitz. In some cases, roads may be closed or signed until public works crews can get there to repair the damage.

The county is appreciative of residents' patience during the thawing period.

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EDITORIAL

A celebration of volunteers

This year's Volunteer Week celebrations in Elk Point covered every possible age group, from the primary grades at Elk Point Elementary School to the senior residents at Heritage Lodge who just can't imagine not volunteering.

Those seniors have probably been volunteering throughout their lives, and it's a hard thing to let go of. For example, any of the Elk Point groups who work bingos in St. Paul have seniors on their sign-up lists, who may not be able to go out and sell cards on the floor, but they are still more than willing to sit in the 'cage' and sell cards or count cash, whatever the situation requires.

It's wonderful to see a group of young people getting in the volunteer spirit, because they are the next generation to take over the leadership of community groups, which are all run by volunteers. The Elementary School Ambassadors will be all ready to take over the reins when they hit adulthood, because the knowledge that the community needs their help is already embedded in their minds.

And as for Elk Point Outreach School's Snow Angels - it just doesn't get better than young people who willingly help out seniors! Good job, everyone!

RECREATION CORNER

All aboard for greenhouse fun!

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The Rec Department has teamed up with the County of St. Paul and Elk Point FCSS and Xtreme Oilfield to bring you another Greenhouse Garden Tour. This bus trip is always our most popular and typically fills up fast. Thank to our partnerships, we're able to offer it for free; however we ask you RSVP to reserve your seat. Those who RSVP will be given first rights to a seat on the bus.

The trip is scheduled for March 12th, just before Mother's Day. We think it would be a perfect opportunity to invite your mom and spend the day with her.

The trip will stop first at Greenland, just outside of Sherwood Park. You will be able to browse and pick your favourite flowers and plants. There is also a very nice garden area with picnic tables where you can enjoy your lunch. Greenland has been around for over five years and offers exceptional service and quality. They offer flowers, plants, home decor, and more.

From there, the group will be shuttled to Wallish Greenhouse, where you can discover more treasures. And of course there's more than enough room to bring it all home. Wallish is known for having amazing basket and hanging plants and flowers. It has been around since 1919, tucked just outside the northern boundary of Sherwood Park on Clover Bar Road. They are known in the greenhouse world as a grower-retailer agribusiness. We specialize in growing annuals and perennials.

The tour ends at Salisbury, with more wonderful finds. They are one of Alberta's largest greenhouses, you can find the newest trends in gardening, as well as, traditional favourites.

The day begins with a pick up in St. Paul at 8:30 a.m. and then in Elk Point at 9:00 a.m. Please RSVP with Jena at recreation@elkpoint.ca or call/text 780.207.5898. The bus will be filled on a first come, first serve basis. Last year the bus sold out.



COLLECTOR OF 'OUR PAST'

Museum pieces find new homes

Many of our longtime readers will remember when Steve Andrishak's columns, 'Our Past', appeared in this space each week. Steve was a unique individual who not only entertained Elk Point and district at his Arrow Theatre for many years, but also owned and operated his own museum. With that museum's collection now dispersed, we pay tribute to a man who dedicated most of his life to preserving the past.

One of Elk Point's hidden gems has been closed for some years now, and just over a week ago, the bulk of the collection of artifacts and memorabilia from the late Steve Andrishak's Fort George Museum were sold at a massive auction in Wainwright, with some of our local history buffs in attendance, hoping to purchase a piece or two of Elk Point history for their own collections.

Steve was a collector at heart from a young age, and said in Elk Point Reflections history book that he started off at age six by collecting Model T Ford keys out of the vehicles on Main Street, an adventure that he joked, made him "not the most popular boy in town, but I was the most sought after." That incident could have nipped his collecting urge in the bud, but after "changing my tactics somewhat," he kept right on hunting and gathering everything from fur trade artifacts and stuffed birds and mammals to a rare 1903 Model A Ford and a high-wheeled Penny Farthing bicycle, those last two displayed with pride at one or more of Elk Point's car shows in the 1990s.

What started out as the Pioneer Museum in 1952 and was later renamed the Fort George Museum in honour of one of the fur trade posts established in 1792 east of Elk Point, was already a huge tourist attraction by then. In fact, Steve said in the 1977 history book that by the 25th anniversary of the museum, more than 25,000 people had signed his guest books, coming from 27 of the 49 US states and 22 countries around the world. By the museum's 50th anniversary in 2002, more than 40,000 visitors had come through its doors from "every province in Canada as well as its

Northern Territories, ... 33 US states and 31 countries of the world. I never got rich running it, but over the years I had lots of company," he said in 'Our Past,' a collection of columns he wrote over the years for the Elk Point Review.

The museum's name also paid tribute to a number of the fur trade artifacts Steve found at the site of that long-ago fort during the 1950s and early 1960s, when there were still no heritage laws to prevent one from digging near historical sites, and one only needed the landowner's permission. His collection included Hudson's Bay axes, hinges and tools, a copper kettle and teakettle and a long handled frying pan, all gathered a decade or more before the Alberta Heritage Laws were passed in 1976, making it illegal to disturb historic sites.

Generations of students from schools across north-east Alberta visited the museum over those years, marveling at the increasingly diverse collection of treasures Steve had acquired and displayed. Local families took visiting relatives and friends to this popular attraction, and many tourists passing by on Highway 41 saw the Museum sign and dropped by to have a look. Steve also had a number of prestigious visitors over the years, from authors to politicians, all impressed by the size and scope of his collection.

Time took its toll on the museum buildings and their owner, regular opening hours reduced to an on-call basis and dwindling down to only rare occasions before being closed altogether. Some of the collection was sold to other collectors over time, but a vast amount still remained when Steve passed away in February 2017 at the age of 96.

Elk Point Historical Society was asked several times why their group didn't purchase the collection and start a new museum, however that group has grown increasingly short on members, time again taking its toll, and was unfortunately not in a position to take on a massive project involving not only purchasing and moving the collection, but also operating a museum for years to come.

It was sad to see auction company trucks parked at the museum and being loaded with all of Steve's remaining treasures, and to see the posters advertising the sale. However, it's good to know all those items have found new homes, becoming someone else's pride and joy, again to be treasured as part of our western Canadian history.

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Seniors updated on federal, provincial assistance programs available

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Spencer Buchanan of Service Canada and Mary Jane Tkachuk of Alberta Seniors and Housing visited Heritage Lodge last Tuesday to update Elk Point seniors on both federal and provincial assistance programs that are available.

Buchanan began with an overview of Old Age Security, which goes to those aged 65 and over who have been Canadian residents for 10 years or more, noting that, "those who have lived here 40 years or more get the maximum." She added that when Canadians retire to another country after living in Canada 20 years or more, "It goes with you."

Since 2013, there has been automatic enrolment for OAS. "They will send you the information a month after you turn 64 with the details. If you're not sure, call them." Not everyone wants to start receiving the pension when they turn 65, she said. "If you have an income over \$74,000, it could be withheld, or if you're still working, you may not want it yet. The longer you wait, the more the rate goes up." The OAS, like many government programs, is determined on the taxable income of the previous year, Buchanan said. "If you plan to retire during the year, you can do an estimated income so you aren't penalized the following year."

The final OAS is paid to a person's estate the month after his or her death.

There are also supplements to the OAS. The Guaranteed Income Supplement for low-income seniors now has an automatic enrolment component that began January 1 of this year, based on last year's income, and she encouraged everyone to get their income tax done on time. A spousal allowance is available to individuals age 60 to 64 whose low-income spouses already receive OAS and a survivor allowance is available for those aged 60 to 64 whose spouses have died.

"You can apply as early as age 60 for Canada Pension Plan benefits," Buchanan said, "but the earlier

you retire the less you get per month, although you will be getting it for more years." She noted that there is a Post Retirement Benefit for those who get CPP but are still working. "Where are those contributions going? Every year in January, they look at them, calculate and refund them."

Also under the CPP umbrella are disability benefits for those under 65 who have severe and prolonged disability, a survivor's benefit of a maximum of \$2,500 that helps pay for the deceased recipient's funeral, and a survivors or widow's pension that is added on to one's own CPP after the passing of a spouse. Survivors as young as 35, or even earlier if they have dependent children, are eligible for that pension, and there are children's benefits for those under 18 or between 18 and 25 and still in school, for those whose parent has passed away.

Buchanan also explained the child rearing provision for a parent who stayed home to raise children, which is considered in calculating CPP contributions. Pension sharing is allowed for tax purposes and there is CPP credit splitting for divorced or for common law partners who are no longer together, which she said doesn't require the other person's consent, "but there's always an appeal process."

"If there are changes in your situation – address, marital situation, update us. You can do it on the website, and you can also apply for CPP on there." All Service Canada offices now accept passport applications and other government documents, she said, "and you can even get copies of your social insurance number there."

Mary Jane Tkachuk outlined the provincial programs available to provide additional support and reminded the seniors that municipalities also offer support, such as the popular income tax preparation program now winding up for another year, meals on wheels and bus trips, such as the series of 12 currently being offered by the County of St. Paul and Elk Point FCSS in partnership with a federal New Horizons for Seniors grant.

"There's lots out there to assist you." She provided a provincial Programs and Services Guide to all who were interested, outlining all the provincial support.

Income-based programs are available to those aged 65 and up who have been Alberta residents for three months or more and who are Canadian citizens or permanent residents, and who have not deferred their OAS.

"You do have to apply, but only once in a lifetime. Make sure your taxes are done on time, and watch for a letter in July."

Provincial programs include the Alberta Seniors Benefit of a maximum \$280 per month for single seniors with an income under \$27,300 or \$420 for a senior couple with an income less than \$44,335. There is a Supplementary Accommodation Benefit for low income seniors in long term care or supported living accommodation, which insures that they have \$315 in disposable income after their basic needs are paid for.

There are a variety of special needs benefits available for low-income seniors as well, depending on their age, residence and income bracket, with a higher income cut-off for dental and optical costs, she said. In addition to health supports, these benefits can assist with providing essential household equipment, from a bed to a refrigerator or stove for homeowners or renters and televisions for lodge or long term care residents.

"As long as you register with the Seniors Benefit Program, you're already on the radar."

Low interest home loans that do not have to be repaid until the home is sold and a grant component for essential repairs to seniors' homes were also outlined, as was property tax deferral for those still living in their own home and having at least a 25 per cent equity in that home, again at a low rate of interest.

Tkachuk offered an array of brochures for those who wish to study the programs in more detail, and advised the seniors that more information and advice on filling out forms and applications is available through the County of St. Paul and Elk Point FCSS office in the EcoCentre.

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ELK POINT ELEMENTARY SCHOOL AMBASSADORS were called Elk Point's next generation of volunteers" by Mayor Lorne Young, who asked which of them "will be mayor one day?" He presented each with a certificate of appreciation, while Coun. Terri Hampson, who is herself a volunteer, presented Elk Point pins to Ambassadors Aaron Cayan, Aedan Antonio, Amanda Deschamps, Ava Hillebrand, Bo Fontaine, Brooklyn Porcina, Calei Penner, Cassandra O'Reilly, Cheyenne Newby, Dakota Young, Dashell Sears, Duanne Rivera, Elizabeth Smith, Felicity Winchester, Gavin Kadutski, Kady Bourne, Kasia Morin, Kayl Warawa, Kingston Whittaker, Lauryn Smith, Leeland Henry, Lexee Smith, Logan Swedgan, Madden Flamand, Owen Hampson, Rian Skarsen, Robin Koren, Robyn Urquhart, Ryan Urquhart, Shairenne Ginez, Trettyn Malo, Ty Pavoll, Vanessa Ginez, Victoria Inscho and Zxayven Pelech, who were accompanied on their visit by principal Rob MacDonald and Elaine Ziomek.

Snow Angels rewarded for volunteer efforts

VICKI BROOKER
Review Staff

Among the community volunteers who were recognized this year were a group of teens from Elk Point

Outreach School who stepped up this winter to perform a much-needed service for local seniors.

The Snow Angels are the realization of a long hoped-for wish and the result of a partnership formed between Elk Point Outreach School, the County of St.

Paul and Elk Point FCSS and the Elk Point branch of Cornerstone Co-op, who provided a supply of shovels at very short notice.

Isaiah Jenkins, spokesman for the Angels, is one of about 10 volunteers who have taken a break from their books to take up their snow shovels on a number of snowy days since early December and headed out to clean sidewalks and driveways for Elk Point seniors.

"The snow is so heavy for the seniors, but 10 of us can do a driveway in half a minute. It's pretty cool, we'd be driven around and dropped off to get the job done." In addition to seniors' own homes, they also shoveled the walk at Buckingham House, he said.

The shovelers coped with "quite a few" snowstorms over the season, and "we'd think it was going to melt, and then we got another dump. It wasn't that cold out, and when (the seniors) would come out and say thank you, you could tell that they couldn't do it. One time someone gave us \$20, and we went to the Co-op and bought pop for everyone."

Jenkins said he enjoyed helping the seniors, as did the rest of the group, and "We're going to do it again next year."

FCSS Director Janice Fodchuk called the group's efforts "absolutely amazing. You even did our walk here" at the EcoCentre. She presented each of the Snow Angels with a certificate and a \$10 gift certificate "for everything you did."

Mayor Lorne Young agreed, telling the ambitious youths, "What you did for the community and the seniors is unbelievable. You've started a tradition that carries on."



ELK POINT OUTREACH SCHOOL staff and volunteers joined (back row, left to right) Coun. Terri Hampson, FCSS Director Janice Fodchuk, Mayor Lorne Young and EPOS Principal Andrea Austin for the Volunteer Week Barbecue on Thursday. Students honored for their efforts were Avery Turner, Bailey Dion, Haley Opikokew, Isaiah Jenkins, Dillan Kulczycki, Justin Fedoruk, Memorii Desjarlais and Ryan Kulczycki.

ADULT VOLUNTEERS honoured with certificates and gifts at the event were (back, left to right) Margaret Bayduza, Doug Bassett, Dan Hampson, Mayor Lorne Young, Laverne Wilson, Vicki Brooker; (front, left to right) Terri Hampson, Diane Peifer, Lorrie O'Reilly, Jennifer Dallaire, Melissa Skarsen, Ruth Vogel. Not shown are volunteers Angi Sanregret, Bernice Capjack, Candace Bendixen, Colin Balan, Crystal Boorse, Denise Bjorkman, Donna Bassett, Ed Vogel, Gina Swedgan, Jason Boorse, Joanne Warawa, Kelly Radcliffe, Lori Kadutski, Lori Poitras, Marguerite Friesen, Melanie Poulin, Melissa Rogal, Shaina Lee, Tara Breen and Tyler Warawa, all of whom were also nominated by an appreciative community.





TOWN OF ELK POINT
 CAO Ken Gwozdz and Elk Point Elementary principal Rob MacDonald manned the barbecue while Town Coun. Terri Hampson and volunteer Sandy Kummetz handed out buns, salads and beverages to a crowd of hungry volunteers on Thursday as the Town of Elk Point, County of St. Paul and Elk Point FCSS and Cornerstone Co-op hosted the Volunteer Week Barbecue.

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April 22-28

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Dancers delight their audience

FAME Dance School held their Elk Point year-end recital on Thursday and delighted the audience with their performance.

Four Elk Point girls from Fame went to Vermilion on Saturday, April 14 to a dance competition and got a silver for their dance! They practiced hard and it showed in their dance. Left to right are Ashley Lecopoy, Rian Skarsen, Robin Koren and Hailey Bykowsky.

Melissa Skarsen photos



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DATE CHANGE

Please be advised that the May 14, 2018 Regular Council meeting has been changed to:

DATE: Monday, May 7, 2018

TIME: 7:00 PM

LOCATION: Elk Point Council Chambers

Thank you!!
Mayor & Council

Competition season!

MELISSA ROGAL
Review Contributor

It's Jordan Onyschuk's first year of instructing the Elk Point Ukrainian Dancers and he's done a fantastic job with the kids this year!

Lloydminster was our first of three competitions this month, followed by St. Paul this past weekend and after our spring concert on April 24th (7 p.m. at Elk Point Arts and Leisure Centre, free to get in and donations welcome) we head to North Battleford and then the season will be done. We begin again in September and Jordan will be returning as our instructor! Jaden Plaska assisted Jordan this year.

ELK POINT'S SENIOR DANCERS, were awarded a high silver for their Pollissian, left, and below is the Seniors' character dance which earned a gold status.



ELK POINT JUNIORS, shown with very proud instructor Jordan Onyschuk, received an 89 silver, above, and a 90 point gold for their Hutzul dance, right.

Photos submitted



ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING

FOR THE

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will be held on

Tuesday, May 8, 2018

**at 7:00 p.m. in the
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Thank you and we look forward to hearing your feedback!

Mayor & Council

Let's play ball! Season starts first week of May

DOUG BASSETT
Review Sports

We all love hockey, at least I assume we do, but sometimes you have no choice and are forced to try something else besides hockey. If you come to a fork in the road, take it! This year without a bantam girls hockey team in town and not wanting to travel to Vermilion on Cold Lake to play hockey, Avery 'Whirlwind' Warawa tried out for and made it onto a competitive travelling volleyball team based out of St. Paul. The St. Paul Rage played in a lot of tournaments this past winter and this past weekend competed in the Division

2 Provincials. There are five divisions with number one being the toughest so Division 2 is right up there with the best, and the Rage finished fifth in Division 2. Also on the team from our area is Jessie Kurek. Way to go girls!!

A week ago I would have said we will never play ball outside by the first of May. I should know better, never say never! Today I say, "Let's play ball!" What a difference a week can make. Ball season starts the first week of May, and every year right after we get going we have some rain, snow or wild wind. But we all know what this year has been like. Winter was holding on forever, and then one day it just let go.

The kids have been practicing indoors for a few weeks now and who knows, maybe this week they can finally go outside to throw the ball around. There may be a few wet spots but no different than any other year. The Softball umpire clinic was held last Saturday here in Elk Point. By the way, 'Whirlwind' and her sister Rylee 'the Rocket' Warawa both attended it. Last night and tonight the Baseball umpire clinic is being held in Bonnyville. This is terrific for youngsters to learn the rules of baseball and believe me, there are plenty, but as they gain some confidence doing some games they can make some really good money.

Another really great way to learn the fundamentals of baseball is to attend a skills clinic. This past weekend I attended the Timberwolf Baseball camp at the C 2 in Bonnyville with my five-year-old granddaughter Vienna and my 12-year-old grandson Phoenix. Parents and coaches are encouraged to help out with the drills, which of course I did. You're never too old to learn, or

too young, as in Vienna's case. She is a southpaw and wants to play baseball with the boys just like her older brother Phoenix. Considering how many really good batters I have seen over the years struggle trying to hit the ball off of a lefty, she has the potential to be a champion. And in all those years I have coached baseball we only had a few left handed pitchers, but the best lefty I ever coached was Greg 'the Bull' Zarowny. He was terrifying to the batters, most of them I'm sure are still shaking in their boots. There were a lot of high level instructors at this clinic who have played some very high level of baseball, including Reggie Rivard who pitched AAA ball and was very close to making it in the majors. He started the clinic a few years ago to give something back to the local young players and it has become a huge success. This annual event now hosts about 200 players from five years old to 18. Its a great way to start the season, learn the proper mechanics of throwing, catching and hitting, all skills that are needed to become a better ball player.

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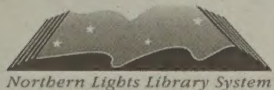
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Happy 100th Birthday Pearl!

Family and friends gathered at Parkview Extended Care on Saturday to celebrate with Pearl Anderson as she marked her 100th birthday. Pearl and her late husband Rolf had nine children, with the family now grown to include 24 grandchildren, 44 great-grandchildren and three great, great grandchildren, with one more great and three more great, great grandchildren on the way.

Daughter Debbie Ballas and great-granddaughter Terry Wood light the candles on Grandma Pearl's cake.

MLA David Hanson was on hand to offer his congratulations.



Elk Point Royal Purple members (left to right) Brenda Diesel, Verna Lazicki, Lena Stepa, Lavern Kittlitz, Lillian Ewasiuk, Rubyann Kittlitz and Vicki Brooker brought greetings from the lodge, where Pearl was a valued member for many years.



SuperDads, SuperKids enjoy ECDC event

Elk Point Early Childhood Development Council held their first ever SuperDads, SuperKids event at Elk Point Elementary School on Saturday, complete with a Superhero obstacle course and other superhero games. Many came in costume to enjoy the fun, and enjoy pizza and other refreshments, as well as just spending time with their dads at the free event.

